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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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March 14, 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR DR. KISSINGER

DIA review completed

FROM: Phil Odeen

SUBJECT: Assessment of MBFR Verification Capabilities

ON-FILE NSC RELEASE  
INSTRUCTIONS APPLY

Verification has long been one of the stickiest problems of MBFR.  
This memo assess where we stand on MBFR verification.

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In response to your September 25, 1972 memo to the Verification  
Panel.

This report lays the basis for our judgments  
and is included at Tab B with an analytical summary at Tab A.

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Principal conclusions were the following:

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TAB A

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Analytical Summary of CIA  
November 1972 MBFR Verification Report

Introduction

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The U.S. intelligence community currently has high confidence in its estimates of the numbers of major combat units in Pact forces in the NATO Guidelines Area and Hungary (NGA+H).

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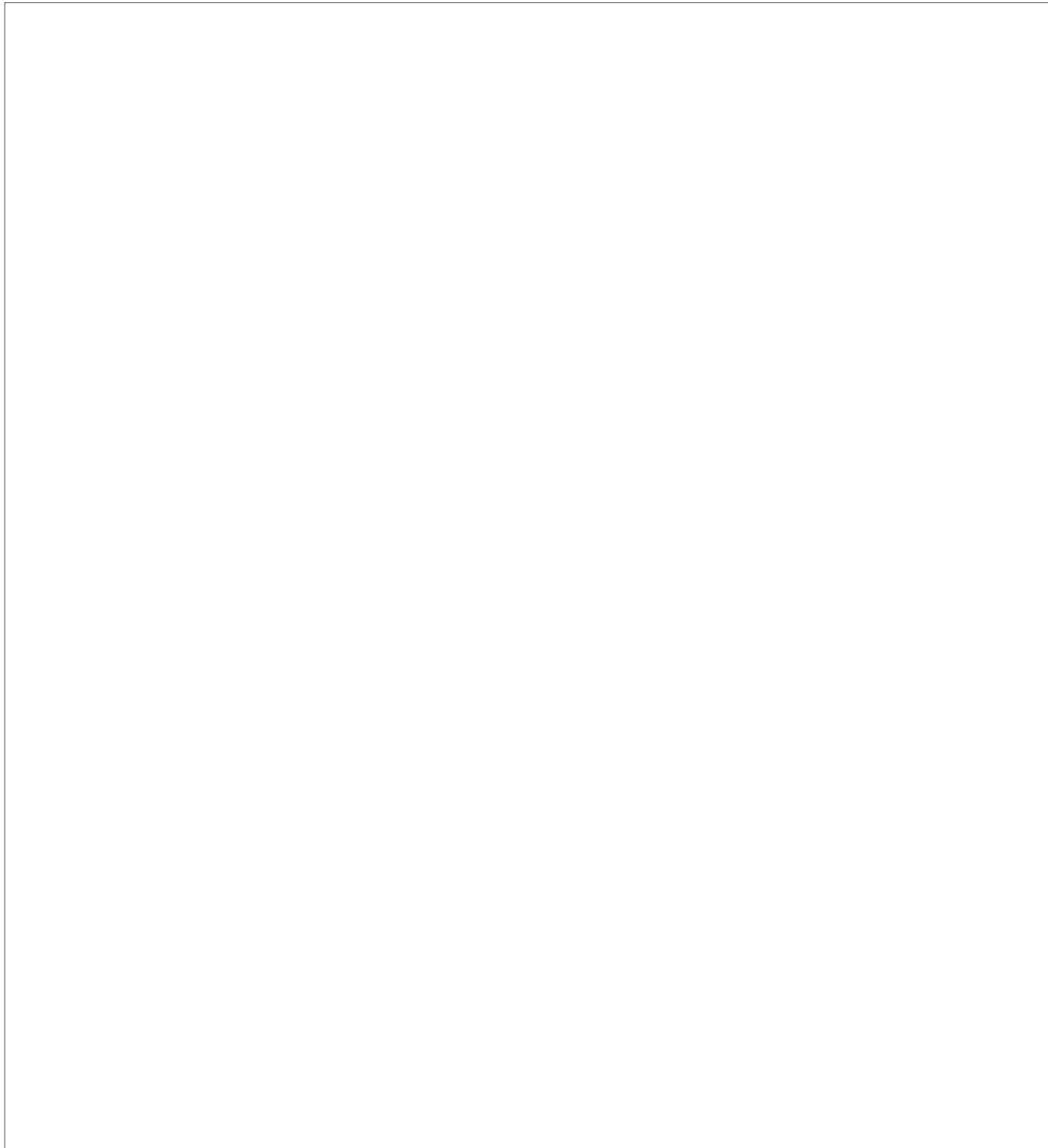
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It was felt that it would be anathema to the Pact to withdraw or disband constituent units of divisions without reducing the entire division, and that they would also be averse to withdrawing part of the equipment from units, e.g., tanks alone.

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Collateral Constraints

A review of the potential influence of selected collateral measures on the monitoring process yielded the following:

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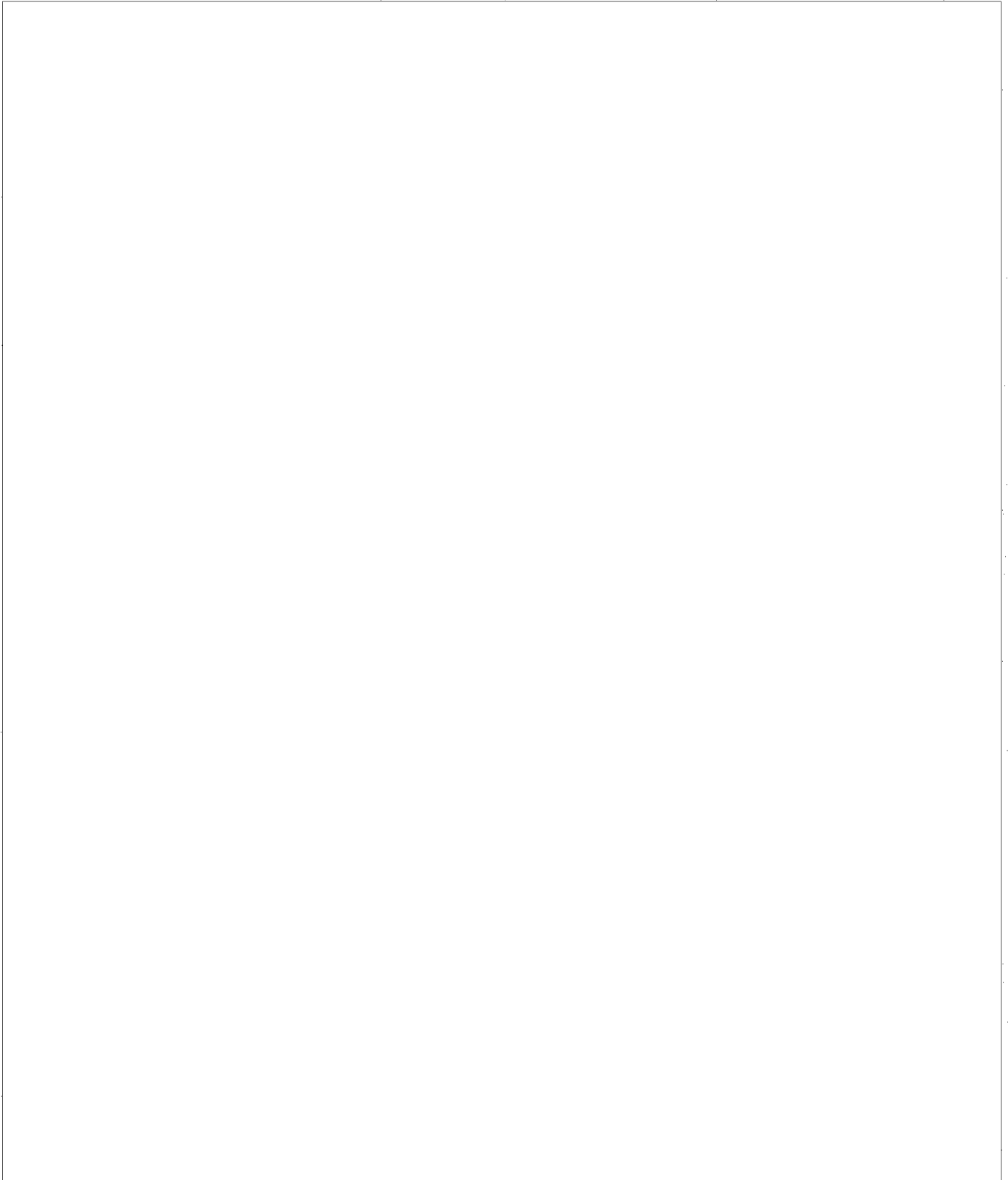
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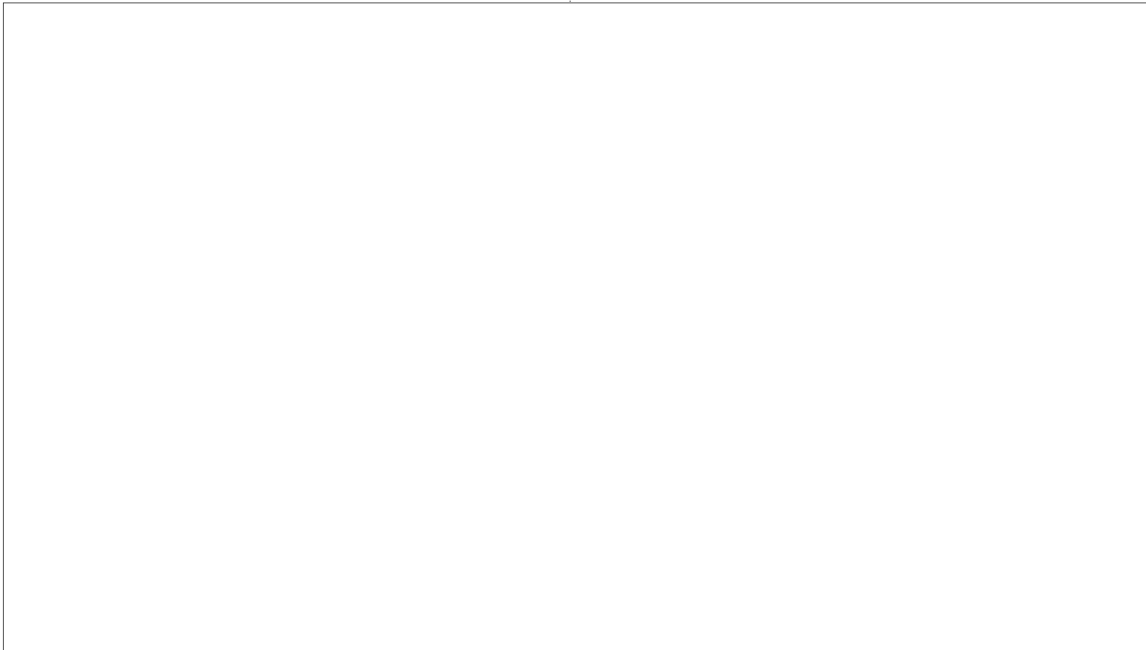
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